TOLL BRIDGE ACROSS TENNESSEE RIVER.

January 17, 1921.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Barkley, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 14259.]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 14259) for permit to construct a toll bridge across the Tennessee River, Marshall County, Ala., at a point one-half mile north of Guntersville, Ala., having considered the same, report thereon with amendment and as so amended recommend that it pass.

The bill as amended has the approval of the War Department, as will appear by the letter attached and which is made a part of this

report.

Amend the bill as follows:

Line 4, after the word "hereby," strike out the following words: "given the right" and insert the word "authorized," and after the word "construct" insert a "comma" and the following words: "maintain, and operate"; strike out the word "toll."

Line 6, after the word "point," insert the following words:

"suitable to the interests of navigation, and"

Line 8, after the word "Alabama," strike out the "period" and insert a "comma"; strike out the balance of line 8 and all of lines 9 and 10 and insert in lieu thereof the following words: "in accordance with the provisions of the act entitled, 'An act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters,' approved March 23, 1906."

Add section 2 to read as follows:

"Sec. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is

hereby expressly reserved."

Line 1 of the title, strike out the words "For permit to construct," and insert in lieu thereof the words "To authorize the construction of"; also strike out the word "toll."

[Second indorsement.]

WAR DEPARTMENT, June 3, 1920.

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So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I do not know of any objection to the favorable consideration by Congress of the accompanying bill H. R. 14259, current session, to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Tennessee River near Guntersville, Ala., if amended as indicated in red thereon.

BENEDICT CROWELL,
The Assistant Secretary of War.